

CLASSIFICATION OFFICE DECISION

Title of publication: Spb036.jpg

Other known title(s): Not stated

OFLC ref: 1601045.008

Medium: Computer Image File

Publisher: Not stated

Country of origin: Not stated

Language: Not applicable

Applicant: Secretary for Internal Affairs

Classification:	Objectionable.
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Descriptive note: None

Display conditions: None

Date of entry in Register: 10 March 2017

Date of direction to issue a label: No direction to issue a label has been issued

Date of notice of decision: 10 March 2017

Summary of reasons for decision:

The computer image file is a sexualised image of four partially naked girls who appear to be older children or young teenagers. It promotes and supports the exploitation of children or young persons for sexual purposes in terms of s3(2)(a) of the Films, Videos, and Publications Classification Act 1993 (FVPC Act), and is therefore deemed to be objectionable. While the classification interferes with the right to freedom of expression as per the New Zealand Bill of Rights Act 1990, it is consistent with Parliament's intention that publications falling under s3(2)(a) of the FVPC Act are deemed to be objectionable. The classification also reflects the concern of a free and democratic society to protect its young and vulnerable members from sexual exploitation.